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The following documents are cited in the specification of
the above-identified patent application:

Attorney Docket No. 15162/03780

- (1) Doane et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,384,067, issued January 24, 1995; and
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 10-031205 (TOSHIBA CORP), published February 3, 1998.


Applicants also wish to bring the following document to the attention of the Examiner:

- (3) 13.3: Surface-Modified Reflective Cholesteric Displays, Z.-J. Lu, W.D. St. John, X.-Y. Huang, D.-K. Yang, J.W. Doane, Liquid Crystal Institute and Department of Physics, Kent State University, Kent, OH, SID 95 Digest, pages 172-175.

Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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